

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)

AHLERS et al.)

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For: CATALYST COMPRISING A METAL COMPLEX OF THE VIII SUBGROUP
BASED ON A PHOSPHINE AMIDITE LIGAND AND ITS UTILIZATION FOR
HYDROFORMYLATION AND HYDROCYANATION

Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified U.S. National
Stage application, kindly amend the application as follows.